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1. Antennae as sketched in the Annex were seen in the area of the POTSDAM NEDLITZ (N 53/Z 63) Nachrichten Kaserne, north of Pfinzberg, on 19 September 1949.

Twenty-five to thirty trucks were seen in a garage opposite the kaserne. [REDACTED]

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Numerous signal troops were seen in the kaserne area.

2. [REDACTED] supplemented the attached sketch and added that numerous small antennae, allegedly used for standard army sets, extended over the tops of the kaserne buildings. The signal troops in the kaserne were estimated at one battalion or possibly a regiment.

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Comment:

a. It is known from previous information that the former Nachrichten Kaserne (also called Artillerie Kaserne) in POTSDAM-NEDLITZ is occupied, in addition to other units, by a signal unit of about 200 troops. The signal unit can be only a signal battalion which is believed to be directly under the HQ of the Group of Occupation Forces Germany.

b. The antennae (A-B) undoubtedly belong to a large, stationary radio station as they are usually located in kaserne of signal troops. The small antennae (C and D) are presumably operated by the reception center. The radio installation probably serves for training as well as tactical purposes. Tactically, the station is presumably operated only for audibility tests and will assume full operation if wire communication breaks down.

1 Annex: Radio Installations in the Former Nachrichten Kaserne in POTSDAM-NEDLITZ.

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